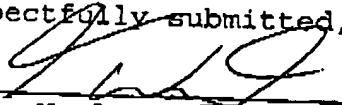


REMARKS

This application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office Action dated May 6, 2005. Claims 1 and 5-14 remain pending in this application. Claims 1, 7, and 10 are the independent claims.

Applicants note with appreciation the indication that Claims 7-14 are allowed and Claims 4-5 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claim. Applicants have added limitations of Claims 3 and 4 into Claim 1 and believe all the Claims to be allowable. Applicants respectfully believe the § 102(b) rejection over Fillion to be moot in light of the above amendments and remarks.

In view of the foregoing remarks, Applicants respectfully request favorable reconsideration and early passage to issue of the present application. Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached by telephone at the number given below.

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